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KAUTILYA AWARD SCHEME
RAMSHETH THAKUR

Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) the number of prizes distributed for writing Original books in Hindi on technicalsubjects during the last two years under Kautilya Prize Scheme of the Planning Commission;

(b) the extent of amount given to each writer; and

(c) the details of the incentives being given by the Government for writing books on Technical subjects in Hindi ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES& MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY O PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES& PENSIONS, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF ATOMIC ENERGY AND SPACE (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE)

(a) & (b): For writing original books in Hindi on technical subjects, under the KautillyaAward Scheme of Planning Commission, following three awards are given on the recommendations of the Evaluation Committee to the writers of the books published or the manuscripts written during a calender year:-

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One First prize  :  Rs. 18,000/-
One second prize  :   Rs. 12,000/-
One third prize  :  Rs. 8,000/-
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For the year 1999, all the above three awards have been given to the writers of the books selected . For the year 2000 also, all the three awards have been sanctioned on the recommendations of the Evaluation Committee whichwill be distributed on 26th December, 2001. There are two writers of the book selected for first prize for the year 2000 and, therefore, as per regulation 4(5) of the Kautilya Award Regulations, 1998, the amount of the first prize has been divided equally between both the writers.

(c): In pursuance of Ministry of Home Affairs (Department of OfficialLanguage) O.M.No.II/20034/6/79-O.L.(A.2),dt.28th May, 1979, some Ministries/Departments of the Govt. ofIndia have introduced their own schemes for encouraging the original writing of books in Hindi. The rules, prizes, etc. for those schemes are decided by the concerned Ministries/ Departments themselves.